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WHY, CERTAINLY!

The United States, in order to show the sincerity of their acknowledgments of gratitude to England for her friendly attitude during the war, should cede the Sulu archipelago to Great Britain, and British products ought to be admitted to the Philippines on the same terms as those of the United States. The Sulu islands are not wanted by the United States, and would be very useful to England. A graceful concession here would cost the victors nothing, and would be appreciated by England as a gratifying demonstration of the friendly feeling we have heard so much about.—(London Globe.)

The motive of England's recently professed friendship for the United States and efforts to bring about an "Anglo-Saxon" alliance has all along been clear enough to those who have noted events and looked through England's flattery and scheming. Despite its persistency and the echo by the English toadies in this country, the American government or people do not seem to have taken heed of the "friendly attitude during the war" with Spain, nor given a thought to "gratitude to England;" so we are reminded of it and coyly asked for a graceful concession as a gratifying demonstration of the friendly feeling "they have heard so much about."

The "friendly attitude" of England in our tilt with Spain has been fully exposed as brazen falsehood and hypocrisy. War was no sooner declared than England promptly announced neutrality and detained in her ports a war vessel and munitions of war purchased by the United States and en route to this country.

Her assertion that by her refusal to join in a European coalition in favor of Spain she deprived Spain of all assistance from other nations is disproved by the Russian and other ministers at Washington, who declare that no such coalition was ever proposed, and there is no basis for England's claim of having prevented it.

England observed strict neutrality, as did every other nation, but has been noisier in her professions of friendship—never official or formal, which might prove embarrassing—than other nations. She did not, nor has she ever, shown any friendly service to this country to entitle her to any "gratitude" or "graceful concession" not accorded to all nations in fairness and courtesy.

But England claims more. "British products ought to be admitted to the Philippines on the same terms as those of the United States." Why? Simply to give England an advantage over all other nations in the trade of the East. Is she entitled to this preference? Does she give any preference to American products in any of her dependencies? Does she not shut out all foreign products, American included, from most of her colonies? And in Canada, Australia and others, where foreign products are admitted, are not the tariff charges and regulations such as to give English products a decided advantage? Canada has for years endeavored in vain to gain England's consent for reciprocal trade concessions with the United States. The canals connecting the great lakes and giving outlet to the Atlantic are so regulated as to hinder American trade, and practically shut off the export and import trade of the States bordering on the lakes from the advantages of a direct ocean route to European and other markets. The Canadian Pacific railroad is so managed as to injure in every way the traffic of our through trunk lines, while they do not hesitate to insist upon every international privilege for transcontinental

shipments through American territory or in American ports.

Nothing more than is required by the strict letter of treaty or maritime law is accorded to American merchantmen, fishermen or American vessels of any kind in any of the ports or on the coast of her British American possessions, on the Atlantic or Pacific side. For years she has upheld her colonial subjects in stealing our seals. In the Klondyke as soon as one not an English subject crosses the line into British territory he is harassed by police surveillance, subjected to rigid regulations and heavily taxed.

Australia's appeal for permission for modification of tariff and other trade regulations to admit more of non-English products and trade are unheeded. What kind of "equal terms" are accorded American or any other products with those of England in the trade of India? Finally, what does England's so-called "open door" in China and other parts of the East mean except that they are freed from barbarous native prohibitions or warfare and pillage, admitting the commerce of the world, with all privileges, if any, reserved for English trade and products.

England's policy does not indicate friendliness for the United States or any one but England in matters of privileges in trade, and her course toward the United States has not been, nor is it now, such as to inspire any "grateful concession" or "equal terms."

No one in authority—executive, judicial, legislative or otherwise—in this country has yet hinted that England's claims to "grateful concession" should be granted. Should any one do so, then our English "friends" will be sure to "hear about" what the American people really think of England's presumption and pretenses.

THE FLANAGAN CASE.

Patrick Flanagan, an Irish political offender, recently released from a fifteen-year term in an English prison for alleged conspiracy in Ireland, has been refused admission to the United States as an immigrant under the law which excludes ex-convicts. This has aroused much indignation, naturally, against the United States immigration officers at Quebec, who are just now being generally denounced and abused for their action. We think this is hasty, ill-advised and wrong. The officers have simply done their duty, subject, of course, to orders from their superiors. Those officers are to enforce the law against all who come under its restrictions; they have only police powers to restrain or exclude immigrants prohibited by law; they have no discretionary powers, their acts being only temporary in case an investigation is demanded or an appeal taken to higher authority. Although it is claimed Flanagan was an Irish patriot, and according to our statute, had been guilty only of a political offense, which would not exclude him as an immigrant, nevertheless the fact remains that he was convicted, served fifteen years as a convict, and comes to this country as an ex-convict. This fact, the plain law and the duty of the immigration inspectors at Quebec fully justifies their detaining Flanagan; indeed, they could not do otherwise with these admitted facts before them without neglecting their duty and violating the law instead of enforcing it.

The proneness to condemn official acts and call hard names must be guarded against, because it is unjust and only reacts against those

who do it. In this case, while wholesale abuse is heaped upon the officials and the immigration laws, inquiry of Commissioner Powderly at Washington reveals that no complaint has been made or investigation asked of his department into the case.

The very first thing that every intelligent and law-abiding citizen knows should be done has been left undone and the act and the law condemned. Let the proper course be pursued in the matter. Have the case with all the facts and evidence brought to the attention of the Immigration Bureau, instead of raising shoel and blackguarding everybody, and justice will be accorded Mr. Flanagan and all concerned.

The Courier-Journal should muzzle its pro-German-anti-Irish scribblers. Soft-soaping the Germans and slurring the Irish does not meet with favor like it used to. Our Germans and Irish will get along together all right, and those who seek to lure them by appealing to their vanity or prejudice will find they are neither "fatheads" nor "greenhorns." The world do move, and our German and Irish fellow-citizens move with it. Remember, it was an Irish-American who uttered the truly American solution of the nationality question: "Whatever we are, in this country we are all Americans."

If you would make the Kentucky Irish American happy and contribute to its success, send your name and one dollar for a year's subscription. That will enable us to enjoy a merry Christmas.

Gov. Bradley in declining to welcome the Louisville Legion on its return has not detracted from the credit due the Legion nor reflected any credit on himself.

As the Legion are basking in a temperature of 112 in the shade at Ponce, they will meet a somewhat cool reception when they get home.

The Kentucky Irish American sent to a friend for a year would be a very appropriate Christmas present.

Those who have not yet paid their subscriptions are urged to do so this month.

EXPERIENCE THE BEST TEACHER.

The most profitable way to learn is by experience and the earlier in life one gets the experience the better it is for him. Mr. William Lynch, though still a very young man, has been in the dry goods business for twenty-nine years, his first seven years being spent with the leading house of Cork, Ireland. For the past twenty-two years he has been engaged in the business on Market street, in this city. He is now located on Market, two doors below Brook, and has one of the best assortments of dry goods in the city. His goods are of the very best quality, latest styles and most attractive patterns, and his prices are the very lowest. In his advertisement, on another page, he quotes prices that would be hard to beat. If you want any of these articles you could not get a better opportunity to buy them at rock bottom prices. We promise our readers a cordial reception and guarantee satisfaction on all goods. In addition to the goods mentioned he has an elegant line of articles suited for holiday presents.

DEATH OF MRS. LYNCH.

The many friends of Mrs. Raymond Lynch, a most estimable and highly-respected lady, will read with regret the announcement of her death, which occurred Friday morning, caused by the infirmities incident to old age. She leaves a husband, who is proof-reader on the Courier-Journal, and a son, Raymond B. Lynch, Jr., employed on this paper, besides several grown children. The family have the sympathy of a host of friends.

HAVE THEIR PIANO.

The Ladies' Auxiliary this week purchased an elegant piano for Hibernian Hall, and the formal presentation will take place shortly. In addition, they have placed some very fine pictures on the walls, which gives the hall a most attractive appearance.

The friends of Hugh Jennings, the popular Baltimore shortstop, formerly of the Louisville Club, will be sorry to learn of the death of his young wife. She was twenty-six years old, and leaves a four-months' old baby.

Owen Kimble, the bicycle champion, left this city to take part in the races at Madison Square Garden. There will be a great six-days' race, beginning Sunday at midnight, during which he will ride exhibitions.



Miss Elizabeth Leary, of Richmond, Va., is visiting Mrs. Carolyn Harris.

Mr. F. W. Higgins, of this city, was registered at the Waldorf, New York City, during this week.

E. Fitzgerald, of this city, was in Chicago for several days.

Mr. Will Ryan will spend the winter with his cousin, Mrs. Marcus Blackmore, in Portland.

Mrs. William Kelly is spending the week in Knoxville, the guest of her daughter, Mrs. W. B. Lock.

Mr. Isaac Palmer Caldwell is in New York City, where he will remain during the coming week.

Miss Nellie Durning has been spending the week as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. J. Foley, at Indianapolis.

John Doolan's friends are asking why it is that he takes a street-car ride on a West Walnut-street line every Thursday and Sunday evening.

Miss Lillie K. Halligan has just returned from Proctorsville, where she has been visiting her relatives, Mr. and Mrs. C. Tonick.

Mr. Eddy Nally, cashier at the Louisville Hotel cafe, was one of the leading mirth producers at the social given at Fountain Ferry last week.

Jack Cavanaugh, of Nazareth, made a flying trip to this city last week. Lee Knight says it was on account of a West St. Catherine-street young lady.

Edward Thixton, the well-known P., C. & St. L. railroad clerk, is the happiest man in town. He has been presented with a fine bird-dog by an admiring friend.

Pete Riley and Jack Wells, two well-known employees of the I. C. freight depot, left last Tuesday on a hunting trip. Gene Toner will attend to Mr. Riley's duties during his absence.

The Dominican church fathers are to be congratulated on having Miss Josie Sullivan assist them with their bazaar, as her splendid taste will be a great help in decorating the booths.

The announcement of the engagement of Mr. James Curran and Miss Maggie Hernon will be read with pleasure by their host of friends. The wedding will take place early in the spring.

Messrs. V. B. Smith and James Duffy, two of the best-known young men in West End social circles, have returned home after a most successful hunting trip in Nelson county.

It is the general report that Mr. Reilly G. Kelly will take a very pretty East End belle for a better half. Mr. Kelly stands high in social circles and is a resident of Seventh street.

Miss L. M. Keefe, Miss Carry Higgins, Miss Nell Sexton and Miss Maye Webber have returned home after a pleasant visit in the country, where they attended a dance given by the country boys in honor of Miss Lucille Smith.

Miss May Fitzgerald, of Covington, who has been visiting relatives in Clifton, returned home Wednesday. A number of small entertainments and theater parties have been tendered her by her friends.

Mr. J. B. Gannon, master mechanic of the Southern railway, recently promoted to a more responsible position in the South, was tendered a pleasant reception at the Galt House by his former associates, previous to leaving the city.

It is rumored that Gene Toner, the well-known Air Line railroad clerk, will soon desert the Bachelors' Club, a handsome West End young lady having consented to reside over his cosy home. The date set for the event will be announced later.

The turkey given at the residence of Rev. Father O'Sullivan was a decided success, and many musical numbers were rendered. The hit of the evening was made by Master John Montague, who recited a very pretty war piece, bringing in Dewey, Lee, Hobson and Schley.

The most pleasant and closing euchre of the season of 1898 of Mackin Council took place at the club-house last Friday evening. There were a large number of ladies and gentlemen present, thirty tables being occupied by the players. The first prizes were awarded to Miss Ida Raily and Mr. Bernard Flynn.

Mackin Council was well represented in the matrimonial market last week. Among those who disposed of their single blessedness were Messrs. George Huckerby, John Moran, George Bishop, Lee Flynn and Andrew Schuler. At this rate it will be necessary for Mackin to recruit its ranks, or in a short time it will be bereft of bachelor members.

Harry Soete, who has been here on a furlough, returned this week to his regiment. Mr. Soete is a respected member of Mackin Council, who was working in Indiana when the President called for volunteers. He enlisted in an Indiana regiment and expects to be yet ordered to Cuba.

Miss Rosa McNockerty, of Third avenue, entertained at euchre last Mon-

day afternoon. The prizes were won by Misses Maggie Dooley, Mary Kaine and Sallie Kirk and Messrs. Albert Naughton, John Kelly and Joseph Gagen. Dinner was served at 7 o'clock. A most enjoyable afternoon was spent.

Mr. Joseph E. Hill and Mr. Reilly G. Ford are preparing some very comical sketches for St. John's minstrels, who will give performances during Christmas week. Messrs. Hill and Ford can not be beat in amateur Irish theatricals. They are the leaders in the Paulilian Dramatic Club.

Mr. John Baker, of 2909 West Walnut street, one of the oldest and most efficient letter carriers in the service in Louisville, who has been confined to his home for some time past, suffering from a carbuncle, underwent an operation this week, and his many friends will be pleased to learn that his speedy recovery is now looked for.

Mrs. Charles Feganbush entertained the Mistletoe Euchre Club Wednesday afternoon at her residence, Baxter avenue and Edenside. The prizes were won by Miss Fannie Cuniffe, Mrs. M. Bitters and Mrs. L. Kellar. The house was beautifully decorated in mistletoe and cypress-themum. After the game a delightful lunch was served.

Prof. and Mrs. Dowd gave a very enjoyable dance at their academy last Wednesday evening. After the dance a turkey lunch was served to the thirty-five couples present. The affair was one of the grandest of its kind ever held in Louisville, and every one went away satisfied that Prof. Dowd's dance and lunch were simply "out o' sight."

The many friends of Cosmas Meagher, the popular young groceryman of 1441 Seventh street, will be glad to learn that he is able to be out again, after an illness of several days. Cos's smiling and pleasant ways have a great deal to do with the successful business he is doing. Here's best wishes, hoping that his good luck may continue.

One of the most pleasant social functions of the West End will be that of the birthday party of little Dominick O'Donnell, to which invitations have been issued for Monday evening, December 5. On that day Master O'Donnell will receive his young associates and older friends. The little gentleman is the elder son of Mr. and Mrs. Mike H. O'Donnell, of Twentieth and Bank streets.

Mr. James Sexton gave a "stag" party to his friends last Tuesday evening. Among those present were Phil and Johnnie Chawk, Andy Rink, E. F. Kidd, Tom Hesslin, Will Wiggins, G. McGrath, John Gilmartin, Bart Fahey, Lyman Shepard and Dan Devine. Little Johnnie Chawk entertained the company with several violin solos, while Mr. Sexton made a hit with his coon songs, especially with "No Coon Can Come Too Black For Me."

One of the most happy weddings of the season was that of Miss Edna Treanor and Mr. John Fitzgibbons. The ceremony was performed at St. Julia's church, in the country, Rev. Dr. John Treanor, the brother of the bride, officiating. The bride was attired in an elegant pink silk wedding gown, trimmed with satin, and the bridesmaid's dress was something on the same order. The contracting parties were followed by one of the prettiest flower-girls that ever entered the church of St. Julia. She was also dressed in pink silk to match the dress of the bride. The church, which was lighted by hundreds of candles, was decorated in roses and evergreens. After the ceremony and a most bounteous wedding feast, the young people left for Tampa, Fla., where they will remain until after Christmas. Messrs. John Ford and Peter Reilly acted as ushers.

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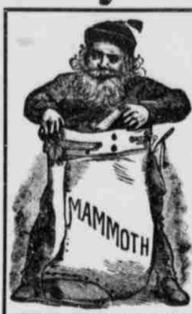
The grand masque ball given by Division No. 1, A. O. H., Thanksgiving evening, was a big social and financial success. About seventy couples attended and spent a most enjoyable evening. An excellent orchestra was on hand and rendered fine dance music. At 11 o'clock a delightful lunch was served, after which dancing was indulged in until 12:30, when the gay young people repaired homeward, happy in the knowledge of a very pleasant evening spent. The Division will give no more entertainments until after Advent, when several pleasing events will be arranged.

The first series of five euchre parties given by No. 161, V. M. I., closed Thanksgiving evening. The prizes were eagerly contested for, and won by Messrs. Thos. B. Newman, H. E. Collins, Wm. Weitzel, and Miss Margaret Newman, Miss Jennie Lee, and Mrs. T. M. Newman. A delightful lunch was served at 10:30, after which dancing was indulged in until 12:30. The next series will open December 28th, and promises to be largely attended.

The attention of the members of Division 1, A. O. H., is called to the fact that next Tuesday night, December 6th, the regular annual election of officers will take place, and as every member is interested in the selection of officers each and every one is earnestly requested to be present and vote for his respective choice. Meeting will be called to order at 8 o'clock.

The race for Representative (the Democratic nomination) is now between Col. W. A. Thompson and Hon. South Trimble, the present incumbent. Capt. Percival Haley is now considered practically out of the race, while Editor Pat McDonald, of the Western Argus, has de-

Jolly Old St. Nick



IS WITH US AGAIN

—Sledge after sledge loaded to the guards with every conceivable article to please the young and the old, and drawn by fleetest reindeer, have dashed up to our doors, unloaded and returned for more. Again Old Santa has chosen the New Mammoth for his headquarters, and this year his stock is larger and prettier than ever before. He will issue bulletins from time to time—watch for them. In the meantime he says, "Tell 'em about SOME of the things—give them an idea so my old friends can pick out their gifts early—before the great rush." Well, there are

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- Swings, Guns, Book Cases,
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Bill Lange, formerly of the Louisville team, is being roasted for his kicking proclivities on the coast. The Lenox Athletic Club, of New York, offers a per centage of the gate receipts for a match between Choyanski and Rublin. Billy Madden will accept on behalf of Rublin. Mr. and Mrs. Sower returned home, and have been kept busy for the past few days accepting congratulations of their many friends in this city. Bro. Sower is a leading member of Division 1, A. O. H., and takes great interest in division matters. Mr. and Mrs. Sower have gone to